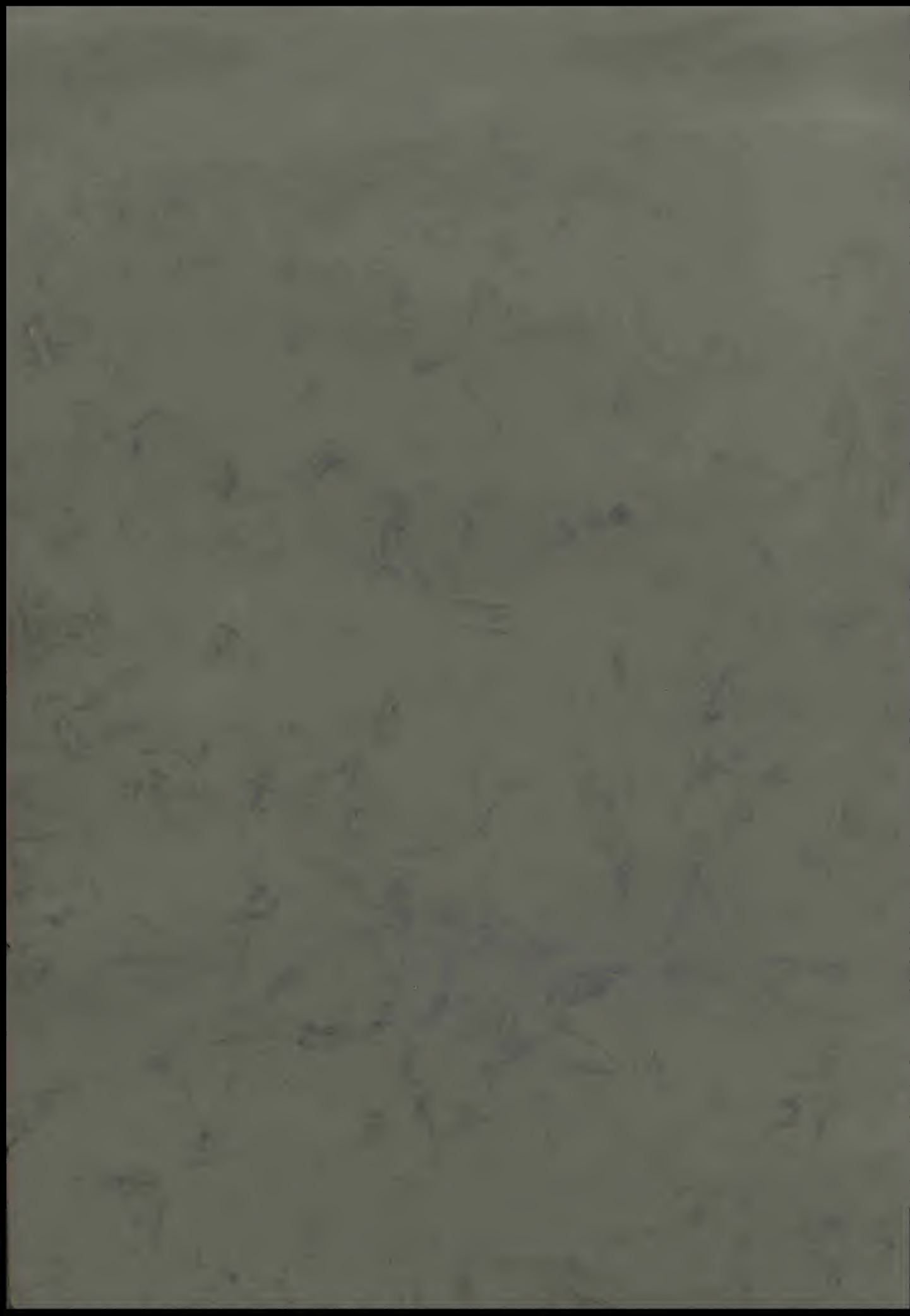


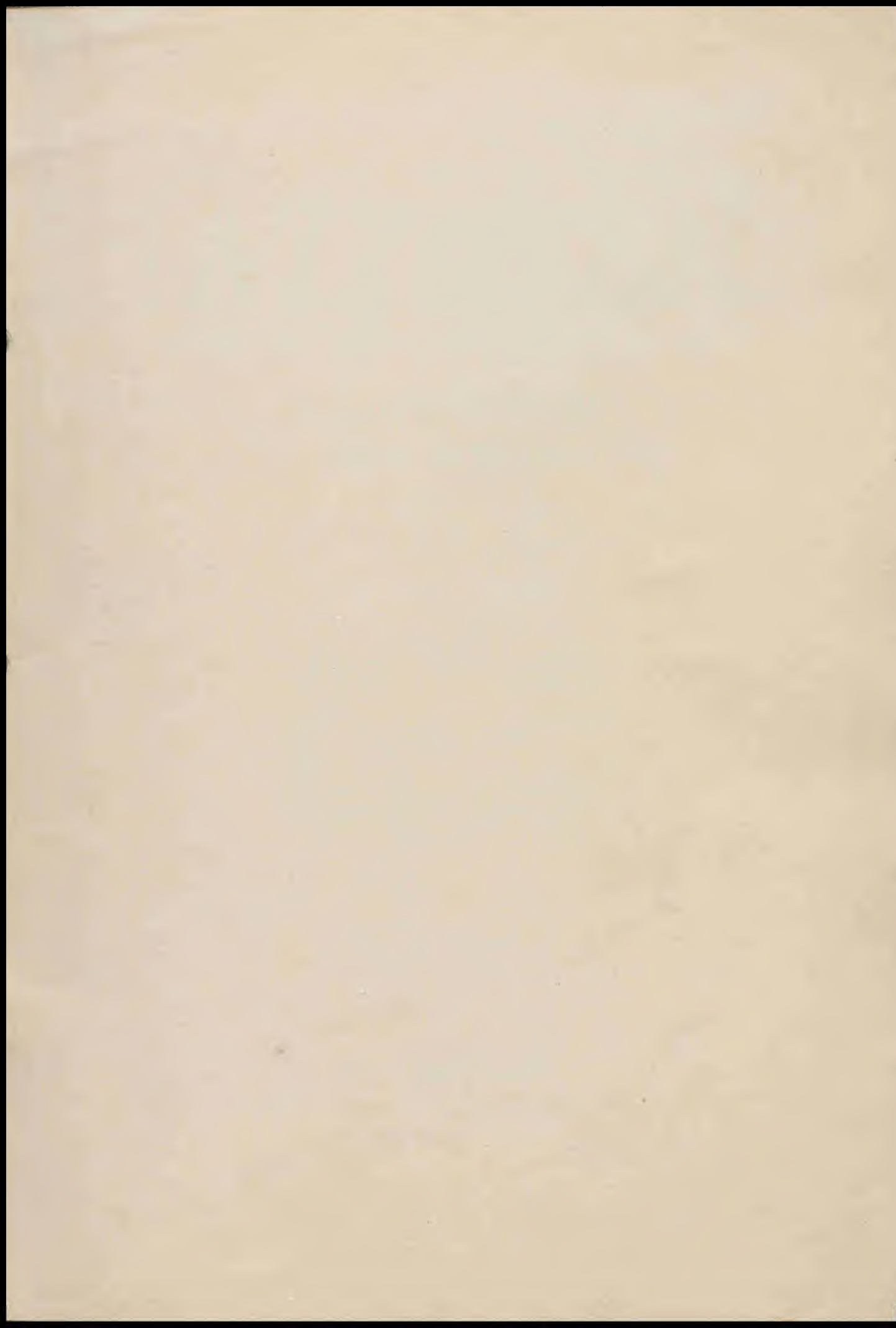
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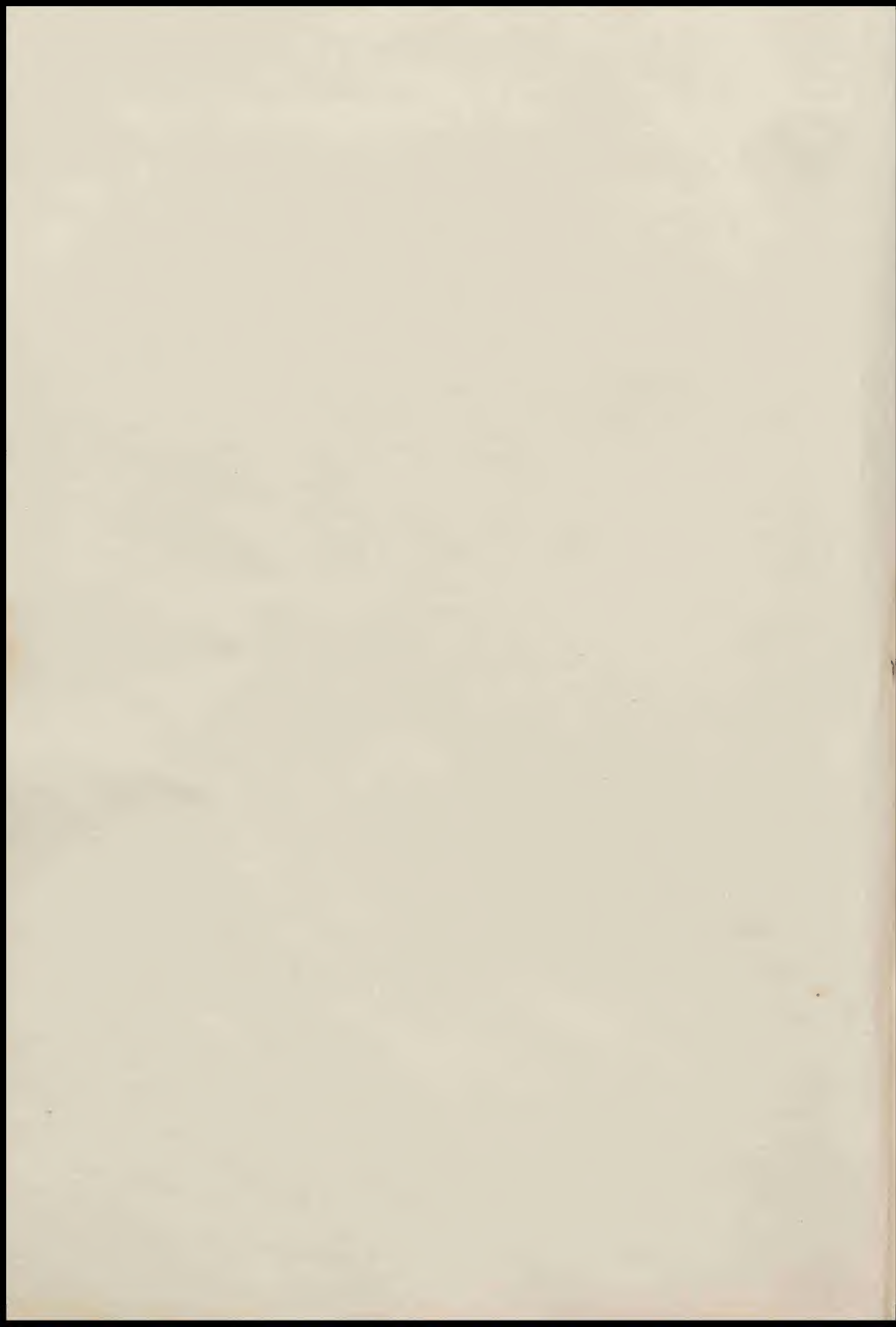
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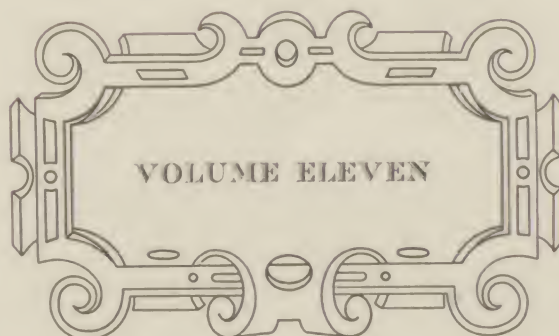






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—OF—

NIXON TOWNSHIP  
HIGH SCHOOL



SENIOR CLASS  
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHT  
WELDON, ILLINOIS



**Dr. L. M. Marvel**

To Dr. L. M. Marvel who has efficiently served as President of the Board of Education since the organization of the district, and whose loyal services have been a leading factor in placing N. T. H. S. on the fully accredited list, we, the seniors of nineteen hundred and twenty-eight gratefully dedicate this the eleventh volume of the Nixonia



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## THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

We feel that we would be neglecting our duty if we failed to publicly acknowledge our debt to the Board of Education for the many services they have rendered us this year. Through their wise selection of the corps of teachers and by their careful supervision, our school has been managed this year in a highly efficient manner.

There will be two new members, Mr. Martin and Mr. Reeser, on the Board next year, but we are confident that this same standard will be maintained for "Old Nixon" in the future.



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—Be it ever so homely, there's no face like your own.—Renna Donaldson.



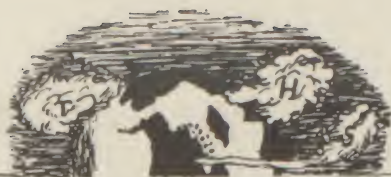
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—She neglects her studies, but studies her mirror.—Floy Shinneman.



**DENZIL HALCOM—"Doc."**

Pres. Aletheneae, 3; Pres. Class, 1, 4; Business Manager Nixonia, 4; Aletheneae, 1, 2, 3, 4; Basket Ball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Football, 3; Track, 3, 4; Boys' Glee Club, 3, 4; Business Manager Tennis Club, 3; Senior Orchestra, 1, 2, 3, 4; "Belle of Barcelona," 3; "Ted Drops In," 4; "Rip Van Winkle," 4.

"Can you imagine him without a girl or two?"

**LOUISE JAMISON—"Jimmie."**

Treas. Nixonia, 4; Vice Pres. Class, 4; Basket Ball, 2, 3, 4; Nixonia, 1, 2, 3, 4; "Patty Makes Things Hum," 3; Calender, 4.

"A hand to do, a head to plan, a heart to feel and dare."

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"She forbids us to tell the truth about her."

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"I've a head for business, but an eye for fun."







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"True to herself and one other."

#### MAX GOKEN

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"Have it your way—but then I'm right."

#### PAULINE GOKEN—"Peggie."

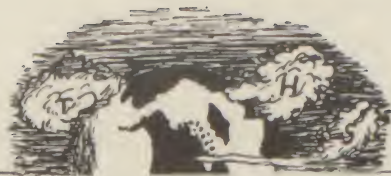
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"Dated up every night."

#### JAMES BAKER—"Park."

Glee Club, 3, 4; Nixon, 1, 2, 3, 4; "Patty Makes Things Hum," 3; "Belle of Barcelona," 3; Art Editor.

"I stand on the brink of a great career. Won't some one please 'push me off?'"

**CECIL PEACOCK—"Cec."**

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"I hold my opinions. Go thou and do likewise."

**FLORENCE SHAW—"Shorty."**

Transferred from Cisco; Social Life Editor, 4; Aletheneae, 3, 4; Basket Ball, 3, 4; Glee Club, 3; "Belle of Barcelona," 3; "Patty Makes Things Hum," 3.

"As modest as a flower in June."

**DONALD LISEBY—"Don."**

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"Give him time and he will do it."







## SALUTATORIAN ADDRESS

Friends, Teachers and Parents:

Upon this, the completion of our high school course, we realize how impossible it would have been to obtain our diplomas by our efforts alone. Thus, we feel an immense debt of gratitude, first, to our friends and under-classmen for the helping hand, the pleasant smile, and the hearty words of encouragement which they have given us from time to time; second, to the teachers for their untiring efforts to build for us a foundation for future success; third, to the community as a whole for any way in which it may have co-operated with us in our efforts; fourth and greatest, to our parents for their immeasurable sacrifices in making our high school training possible. But we realize that we cannot discharge this debt with a mere "thank you." You have helped us "up to the door and over the threshold," but now we must go "into the world," alone.

Undoubtedly you have, in making these sacrifices for us, at the same time builded hopes and expectations for our future. You have looked forward when we were to become useful, self-supporting citizens. In so far as we gratify these hopes and expectations and make a success of our lives, only can we measure our appreciation for your efforts.

Fellow classmen, let us realize this great responsibility and by virtue of our own manhood and womanhood let us attain a position "out in the world" of which our school and community may justly be proud.

—L. R.



## PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

This week of graduating exercises marks the end of one of the greatest epochs in our lives. We, the Class of '28, can sincerely say that, now at the close of our high school career, our hearts are saddened with the thought of leaving this cherished institution. These four years in N. T. H. S. have passed so quickly that it's hard to realize now that we shall soon be Alumni.

During these formative years we have developed not only our intellect but our character as well. These two features are the basic principles of our future life, and we shall be doubly thankful in later years to our Alma Mater for offering us these splendid opportunities. Time alone is able to reveal what the world has in store for us, but man has always looked into the future with great hopes and high ideals—thus it is with the Class of '28.

Now we deem it a privilege to thank the faculty for their untiring efforts to help

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—Tuck me to sleep in my old Kentucky home.—Louise Jamison.





educate us. They have worked with us, used their influence to correct our faults, and have always been willing to lend us a helping hand.

We also wish to thank the members of the Board of Education for their interest and support in our scholastic activities.

Above all, we sincerely thank our parents for making our education possible. They have sacrificed much so that we may enter the school of life as fully prepared as our education here permits. Now, parents, we hope that in years to come your efforts shall not have been in vain and that we shall bring the honor and the respect due you.

Underclassmen, we fully appreciate the loyal support and co-operation which you have given us. By doing this you have made our great year in N. T. H. S. very pleasant.

Personally, I am grateful to my classmates for bestowing upon me the honor as President of our class. I thank you for the hearty co-operation which you have given, and I think our loyal class spirit has been remarkable. Although our close associations with each other and with the school are abruptly severed at this time, I trust that we shall always remain friends and keep alive forever the memories of Nixon High.

—D. R. H., '28



## CLASS HISTORY

In the fall of nineteen hundred twenty-four, twenty freshmen started to high school. We felt very dignified and thought we knew all there was to know, but after struggling with Latin and Algebra, we decided differently. At our first class meeting, we elected Denzil Halcom, president; Mary Conover, vice president; Harriet Roseman, treasurer; Lela Rainey, secretary, and Miss Long, class advisor. In October we had a wiener roast at Weldon Springs, after which we went to the movie "America" at Clinton. This was the first twelve of us went in one car. In our freshman year we proved our efficiency as salesmen by winning the Christmas seal contest. At the end of our first year, four of our jolly group left us.

During the summer months we had a pleasant vacation and entered high school determined to work harder and make this a brilliant year in our career. We elected the following officers: Donald Lisenby, president; Martha Turner, vice president; Pauline Goken, secretary; Denzil Halcom, treasurer, and Miss Balsley, class advisor.

When we assembled again in our Junior year, we had a new member, Florence Shaw, but had lost three of our old members, namely, Mary Conover, who decided to become a nurse; John Ennis, who was transferred to Champaign High School, and Elijah Rhodes, to Decatur High School. This left our membership the lucky number, thirteen. We elected these officers: Lela Rainey, president; Denzil Halcom, vice president; Martha Turner, secretary; Donald Lisenby, treasurer, and Miss Langford, class advisor. Our class flower was narcissus; class colors, green and white; motto, "Up to the Door, Over the Threshold and Into the World." We presented on December seventh and eighteenth, a three-act play, "Patty Makes Things Hum." The semester

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—He has hard work who has nothing to do.—Loren Richardson.



examinations over, we began to think about our Junior-Senior Banquet. Under the capable direction of Miss Langford, the affair was a great success. After we had seen the seniors graduate, we started our vacation feeling proud of the fact that we were now seniors.

On September 5th, nineteen hundred twenty-seven, twelve seniors made their way up the stairs to the Assembly Hall. At our first class meeting we elected the following officers: Denzil Halcom, president; Louise Jamison, vice president; Martha Turner, secretary; Lela Rainey, treasurer; Superintendent Ernest Dickey, class advisor. At the end of the first semester, Bernice Olson decided to leave us. All four years we supplied members for the Glee Clubs, Orchestra and Athletics. This year "Don" was made captain of the basket ball team. Cecil, Denzil and Max were first team members, also.

We shall leave N. T. H. S. feeling that we are indeed up to the door; over the threshold and ready to go out into the world.

—Pauline Goken.



## CLASS WILL

We, the Seniors of N. T. H. S., County of DeWitt, State of Illinois, being of sound mind and memory, do make, publish and declare this to be our last will and testament; that is to say:

We give, devise and bequeath to our parents, Board of Education, and the faculty, our sincere thanks for the many contributions they have given us in making our education possible.

To the freshmen we leave our courtesy towards the faculty; our industrious and quiet habits in class rooms, and our fairness in acquiring good grades.

To the sophomores we leave our record of perfect attendance for the last four years.

To the juniors we leave our physics manuals and notebooks so that they might become learned physicists.

Max Goken leaves his ability as a bluffer in fifty-seven varieties to Wayne Reeser.

Louise Jamison bequeaths her coy and shy manners to Thelma Wilson; her glasses to Irene Marsh.

Donald Lisenby wills his fastidiousness in dress to Randall Sims; his fine tenor voice to Andrew Allan.

Pauline Goken leaves her ability to "vamp'iem" to Inez Roberts and Grace Baker.

Cecil Peacock bequeaths his immaculately groomed hair to Clarence Perkins; his ability as basket ball player to Paul King.

Harriet Roseman bequeaths her ability to keep a "steady" to Bernice McBride; her "giggles" to Ethel Turner.

James Baker wills his cough to Renna Donaldson; his seriousness to Lawrence Meredith.

Lela Rainey bequeaths her slender and graceful figure to Esther Baker; her "special permit" to sleep the first period after dinner to Ralph Donaldson.

—I'm just as jolly as I can be.—Ersa Followell.





Martha Turner leaves her popularity with the boys to Eunice Baker and Alice Jamison.

Denzil Halcom bequeaths his ability to have several girls to Howard Baker.

Florence Shaw wills her blond hair and winning ways to Mary Baker; her privilege of "holding her nose up high in the air" to Arete Coffman.

All the rest of the properties not yet disposed of, we leave to N. T. H. S., for its special use and benefit.

As our said administrator, we appoint Professor Dickey.

In witness whereof, we, Class of '28, set our hand and seal, this twenty-sixth day of March, 1928.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the above Class of '28, as their last will and testament in the presence of the class, I do hereby set my hand and seal to this document, this twenty-sixth day of March, 1928.

(Signed) Harriet Roseman.



## CLASS PROPHECY

Long years ago, on the flat prairie, in the central part of Illinois, stood the small village of Weldon. It was named Weldon by some of the good prospectors and genial business people who settled there in the nineteenth century. The influx to this village of the same class of people who named it, made it one of the best of towns and fully justified the name given it. However, it would not have been singled out to me for distinction had it not been that in the year 1928, a class of eleven seniors was graduated from the high school of that place; all of whose members but one were predestined to be honored in the hall of fame. Although a recluse for many years, I have not lost my interest in the world, and I have made a particular effort to keep in touch with my school day colleagues and those people who made our commencement week enjoyable.

On a certain afternoon of a pleasant autumn day, several odd years ago, a singular scene might have been witnessed in the streets of this small town as I made one last effort to get in touch with those people whose names continually passed to and fro through my mind.

Upon the back of a school library book, I found the name of Dr. F. W. Ingvoldstad, Pastor of the First M. E. Church of Decatur, who delivered the inspiring message at the commencement program.

As for the faculty of six teachers, they kept their profession as school teachers and have now passed on into another world with the thought that they had accomplished at least one great benefit for the people of America by presenting to these pupils all they knew of book knowledge.

Although the pupils of the senior class were far apart in ideas and achievements, I believe you will feel that each has risen to a place of unusual distinction in world affairs.

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—Nobody knows how much he knows.—Donald Lisenby.



There was Max Goken who bluffed his way through high school and the university in his usual manner. So good was his ability to bluff that he has originated a "Unique Bluffers Association" in one of the cities of the West.

Lela Rainey carried out her role as a boss. I believe she was ordained to be an executive. Her ability to handle so many people and get such good results from even the laziest enabled her to take a position as manager in a large establishment of the far East.

Martha Turner developed her judgment of fine clothes and of attractive dress designing. Her expert knowledge of style gleaned from the leading dressmaking establishments has made an acknowledged authority on the art of costuming.

Donald Lisenby was the inventor of the word, "lazy;" anyway he was given credit for that because he knew so much about it. One must give him some honor for who wouldn't be tired carrying around such an extraordinary amount of "gray matter" as he possessed.

The midget of the class was Harriet Roseman. She failed to use enough strategy and let her "lover" slip through her hands. Later on she took Doris Blake's place on the Tribune, advising and giving her opinion to the love-lorn youth of the day. (Beware of her advice on the subject of love; it didn't help her very much.)

As we pass along with the members of the class of '28, we come to James Baker. Consequently, we look for his place in the world. Out yonder, where the world goes round, and there's a job to do, a man is needed. Character, brain, integrity, a fine soul in a sound body, sinews and sentiment are the specifications. And such a man is at hand. You inquire his genesis? He came from Nixon. Is that enough? You know it is; so this vacant place is occupied by James Baker.

I remember Pauline Goken because she occupied the seat in front of me at school. She was married the day after school was out and started in the restaurant business with her husband.

The president of the class was Denzil Halcom, who thrilled every one within hearing distance by playing a small instrument called the clarinet. He now devotes merely his leisure time to the clarinet while his chief activity is that of acting as the president of a large corporation (his main desire was to rid the world of sickness so pupils wouldn't miss so much school).

Louise Jamison became a waitress in a large restaurant. She gained her experience during her school days by working in a small down town restaurant in We'don.

The last but not the least of this class was Florence Shaw. She finished her school days at the university. Shortly after that, she married and settled down to a life of ease and enjoyment. I can't seem to recollect her married name, but it probably will stay with her till the end of her days.

This then should be quite enough to convince you of the high places these people now occupy in world affairs, and Nixon High School may well be proud of such as its graduates.

—C. P.





## SENIOR CHARGE

As we, the class of 1928, shall this year leave Nixon High and therefore shall be unable to give you our personal advice next year, we believe it fitting and very appropriate that we should offer you some valuable advice at the present in order that you will not be thrown wholly upon your own mental resources. We can truly say that we have been through the mill, and from experience can point out some of the difficult problems that will confront you which we can tell you how to solve.

First, we must impress upon your inexperienced minds the fact that each member of your class must work for the benefit of the group. This is one of the many of your faults, which is likely to cause trouble. Each senior can boast that each individual always worked for the welfare of the class.

Second, we might compare our athletic ability. Out of our class of five boys, four are star players, while you have only one substitute. We can also boast that we have won the class tournament two out of the four years in which we have competed, receiving second and third place the other two years, while you have been satisfied to receive fourth place for the three years in which you have competed. The senior girls also won their class tournament.

Third, we would have you notice the comparison in music. Almost all of the members of our class can play an instrument or charm the hearer with his or her singing. We do not doubt but what you have the most musicians, but it is quality, not quantity, that counts in music.

Fourth, we would advise you to give personal opinion to all matters that confront you. We have noticed that you allow the responsibilities of your class to rest upon two or three members' shoulders, and consequently you have had a great deal of trouble. We would advise you to study everything thoroughly before giving your answer instead of accepting two or three of your members' ideas.

Fifth, we would also advise you as to your attitude and behavior in school. We would advise you to hire a mechanic to work on the bells instead of trying to do it yourself and as a result make them worse. We would also suggest that you buy some alarm clocks so that your members might get to school on time. If you would do this and if the underclassmen would do as we did, the school could do away with the tardy statements and the exemption rules.

Now we might compare our grades. Seven out of eleven of our members were exempted in all four subjects, while you were fortunate to have four out of a class of thirteen. Our ability to make grades is what has kept this school's average so high.

We have set these examples for you this year, but you have failed to see the significance of them. Juniors, we have not tried to criticize you but merely point out to you your mistakes, and we have also told you how to overcome them. We, the seniors, wish to extend to you our sincere wish for a successful year during your last term in old N. T. H. S.

—Max Goken.

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—I'm not afraid of my lessons, because I have them in my books.—Wilbur Shinneman.





## JUNIOR RESPONSE

In behalf of the Junior class I accept this charge. We appreciate your good advice, but were you sincere in your desire to help us, would not example have been better than precept? However, we are truly indebted to you for the lessons taught us by your experience in the pitfalls and entanglements caused by poor judgment.

The fact that each member of our class must work for the benefit of the group has already been impressed upon our minds. We must deny you any thanks or credit for this impression. If it seems to you that but three or four members of our class take all the responsibility, we would remind you that our class meetings are managed fairly, and all action is strictly parliamentary. As three or four is not our majority, your statement is very misleading.

We acknowledge your leadership in athletics. It takes all kinds of people to make the world. This class specializes in brains, not brawn. What is nearest the eye obscures the vision. You are looking at your own virtues from such close range that you are blinded to ours. We are not devoid of talent. In scholarship, music, dramatics, drawing, and literary pursuits, this class is well represented.

If all your members are talented musicians, why do they not help in orchestra and musical programs? Can it be laziness instead of lack of ability? In the orchestra we are three to your one. We tie the seniors with a record of four students on the honor roll.

We juniors have totaled  $48\frac{1}{2}$  days' absence and 19 cases of tardiness; the seniors have (to their discredit) 55 days' absence and 21 tardiness. Therefore, it ill behooves the seniors to charge the juniors with prompt and regular attendance.

However, faulty you think we are, you seem to enjoy our companionship, judging by the number of seniors in junior classes.

We would not have mentioned your part in bell-ringing episode, but since you have seen fit to make a member of our class seem responsible for that bit of mischief, we wish to remind you that members of the senior class, who should have helped a junior overcome such a temptation, were sitting back, urging him on.

I have not been permitted by my class to promise you that we will look to you for our example, for the class of '29 has higher aims. However, we juniors are able to see others' good points as well as our own. We think you are a good class and have a splendid record for your four years in high school. You deserve all the honor which is yours for having completed your course so creditably, and we extend to you our sincere congratulations.

—Wayne Reeser.



## VALEDICTORY

Far to the north the sun shines incessantly for months; people work and prepare for the future. Gradually, day by day, the sun slowly declines until finally it disappears beyond the horizon. For months all remains in darkness. Each individual's outcome during this period will be in direct proportion to the preparation that he made during good weather. Those people who worked and saved will come through victorious.

So it is in life. In our early years, those who work and prepare for the future come out victorious. Our success will be determined upon the extent of our preparedness. Thus the ending of our high school days resembles the setting sun of the North, marking the end of our preparation. Trials will come and will have to be fought and conquered. If we prepared diligently in high school for them, we will be successful. The foundation for success is laid in high school on which we shall build our later life. As freshmen, things were not so serious—algebra was merely a required subject and Latin a conglomeration of letters, while Hannibal's crossing the Alps in ancient history didn't mean anything to us. But as we progressed from freshmen to sophomores, and now to seniors, who are graduating, things became more serious; for now we have to look out into a broad world full of dangers and misfortunes. In each recitation we found a lesson to be remembered, something alive and applicable to everyday life. Each accomplishment makes one feel more capable for the greatest task of all—life itself. Harder and more difficult propositions than physics lessons will be met after graduation. As we look forward to our choice of a life work in the fields of science, engineering, commerce or whatever we choose to do, we fully realize the value of the training we have received in Nixon Township High School. We understand that by the training we have obtained here, we are also better equipped to make better citizens.

Some of this class goes immediately to further education in colleges and universities, while others soon will take up their life work. Whatever we do or wherever we go, we shall not forget Nixon High and those who made it possible for us to obtain our education.

We wish now to thank our friends and especially the Board of Education for their undying interest in our education, our teachers who have given of their best to assist us, our school mates who have lent their hearty co-operation in all of our undertakings, and above all our parents. To them thanks will not suffice; it is for us to live up to their expectations and with the help we have received at N. T. H. S., we shall not fail. Now, as we are leaving Nixon Township High School to move on our way forward, I, in behalf of the Class of '28 bid all our parents, friends, teachers, and schoolmates an affectionate farewell.

—D. L.



## CLASS POEM

'Twas only four short years ago  
That we began our high school career,  
And now our ways must part,  
The end of our high school days is near.

In '24 twenty freshmen entered,  
And in that short time  
Nine have dropped out  
Leaving eleven under the teachers' regime.

Up to the threshold, over the door, into the world,"  
Has been our creed.  
Through life let us hope that everyone  
Will live up to this in thought and deed.

With mournful eyes, we gaze upon thee  
O school of our pleasant days!  
For we shall never return to thee  
Except on Visitors' days.

Now with our proudest mien,  
We receive our diplomas on Graduation Day.  
This is the day we will remember longest,  
This, our Graduation Day.

—Louise Janson.



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ELEVENTH ANNUAL  
COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

Of

The Nixon Township High School

JUNE 1, 1928

Auditorium : 8:00 P. M.

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March, - - - High School Senior Orchestra

Invocation, - - - - - Rev. L. S. Kidd  
Pastor of M. P. Church

Selections, a, b, c, - High School Senior Orchestra

Address, - - - - - Dr. F. W. Ingvoldstad  
Pastor of First M. E. Church, Decatur

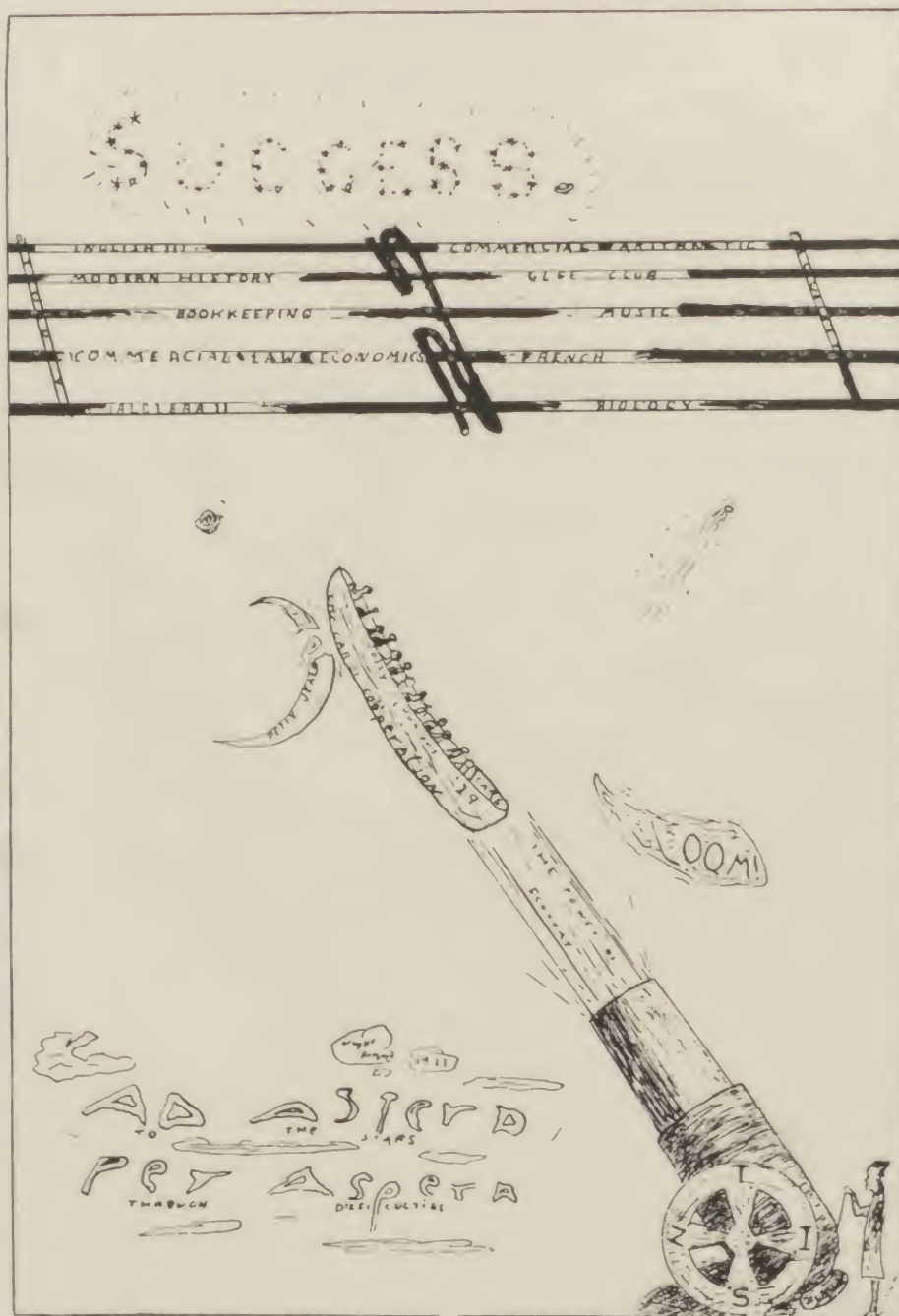
Presentation of Diplomas, - Dr. L. M. Marvel  
President of Board of Education

Benediction, - - - - - Rev. F. Roy Doland  
Pastor of M. E. Church

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GOING JULES VERNE ONE BETTER!!!

—I grow cold every time I think of my 40th birthday.—Miss Langford.





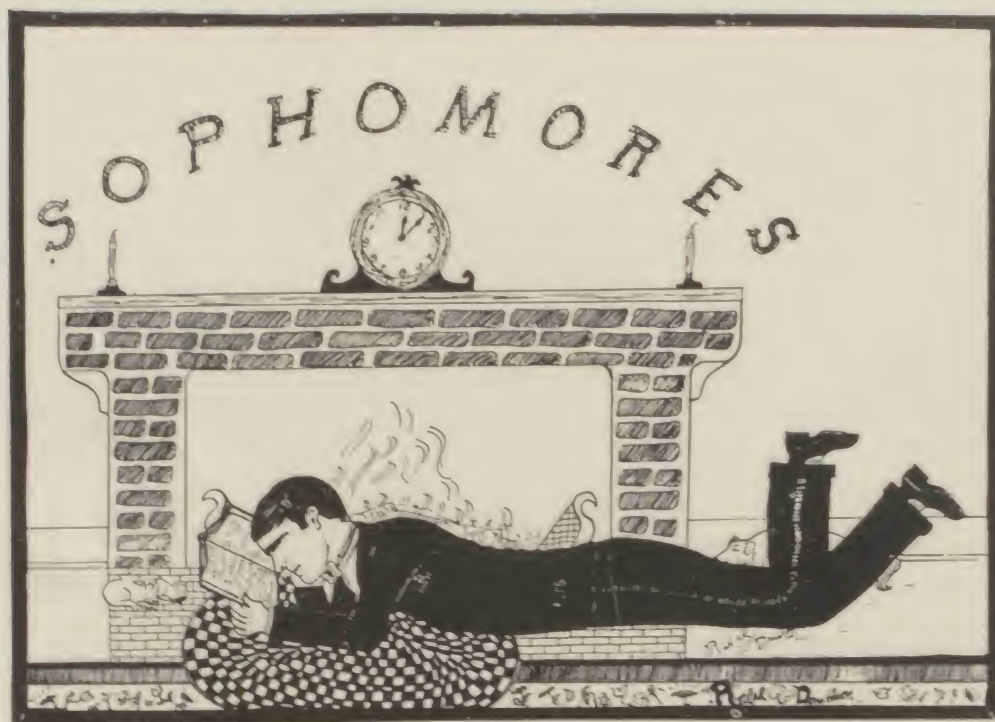
### Junior Class

Back Row—Miss Langford (Adviser); Doris Lisenby (President); Lester Glen, Loren Richardson, Herman Landrith,

Howard Baker, Ethel Turner (Secretary), and Celesta Hier (Vice President).

Front Row—Cleta Long, Grace Baker, Paul King, Wayne Roeser (Treasurer); Muriel Long, and Areta Coffman.

—I just hate my curly hair.—Lela Rainey.



## SOPHOMORE CLASS HISTORY

Class Motto—"We Strive to Win"

Class Flower—American Beauty Rose

Class Colors—Red and White

The Class of '30 was well represented in school activities this year, having members in both glee clubs, in the orchestra, and in both the girls' and boys' basketball teams. They also have shown their pep and enthusiasm by winning two valuable prizes. One was obtained during the M. E. Church revival meetings for having given the best class yell, composed by Ralph Donaldson; the other was won for having sold the most tickets for the Senior play, "Ted Drops In."





### Sophomore Class

Back Row—Duez Roberts, Carl Galaway (Sec. and Treas.), Dorothy Hiter, Lotus Leevey, Roy Smith, Clarence Perkins, Lester Thurber, Benlah Thompson (V-Pres.), Irene Marsh, Dean Whitehead, Bernice McBride, Floy Shimmeman, Second Row—Miss Ihlenfeldt (Adviser), Julius Langrand, Helen Shimmeman, Renna Donaldson, Ralph Donaldson, Lucile Baker, Kenneth Edwards, Esther Baker, Irene Peacock, Alice Landrith, Vernelle Giff, and Wilmothe Crowe, First Row—Dale Pitcher, Henry Dawson, Ersu Followell, Ivan Swearingen, Leland Coffman (Pres.), Thelma Wilson, Lawrence Meredith, Francis Hoops, Thelma Smith, Harold Rainey, and Max Rainey.

—Oh! You French.—Arde Coffman.





## FRESHMAN CLASS HISTORY

Class Motto—"Strive Onward"

Class Flower—Pink Carnation

Class Colors—Pink and Green

The Class of '31 entered school last fall with only sixteen members. Although small in number they have already set some high records. First, six of their members were neither absent nor tardy during the first semester. Second, two of their members were chosen for parts in the Athletic Association play, "Go Slow, Mary." Again, they lacked but one point in winning the ticket selling contest over the large Sophomore class. Most of the members participate in the various school activities. All in all, they are a pretty "peppy" little gang.

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—Hair like grass never grows on a busy street.—Randall Sims.



### Freshman Class

Back Row—Miss Packer (Adviser), Eunice Baker (V. Pres.), John Brown, Melvin Garrett (Sec.), Randall Sims, Leona Ford, Andrew Allen, Alice Jamison.  
Front Row—Wils Mattix, Margaret Edwards (Treas.), Virginia Gray, T. J. Shimmeman, Lyle Shimmeman, Dorothy Cotton, (Pres.), Mary Baker, Wilbur Shimmeman, Dale Shimmeman.

—God made him, therefore let him pass as a man.—Wils Mattix.





—"Bluff" is my motto; "Get by" is my creed.—Max Goken.



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—A miracle, he disagrees with the teacher.—T. J. Shinneman.



—I've found one man among a thousand.—Thelma Smith.









## TEACHERS' RECEPTION

On September twentieth, the Parent-Teachers' Association gave a reception for the teachers to welcome back the "old" and greet the "new." The reception was in the form of an informal party; thus, a number of parents met the teachers and made them feel "more at home" in our community. Light refreshments of ice cream and cookies were served.



## SENIOR PARTY

Supt. and Mrs. Dickey entertained the senior class and the faculty on Friday evening, April the sixth.

The decorations and games were in harmony with the Easter season.

Under the capable direction of Mr. Dickey as game master, we made these startling discoveries: Denzil Halcom was to be the first to leave his state of single blessedness for that of martial bliss; James Baker was to acquire great riches; Miss Schmuck was to remain an old maid; Miss Langford had a decided advantage in the hoop race; Max Goken had the highest I. Q; Miss Packer knew "this" from "that;" Donald Lisenby was the most fluent in telling automobile stories.

Little Louise Dickey prettily assisted her mother in serving a delectable two-course lunch.

And then the lights blinked—

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—Get out of the way I'm in a hurry.—Paul King.



### Nixola Society

Back Row—Harriet Roseman (Sec.), Lotus Leevey, Carl Galaway, Dorothy Hiter, Emilee Baker, Wayne Reeser (V-Pres.), Paul King, Francis Hoops, Roy Smith, Areta Coffman, Irene Marsh, Clarence Perkins, Inez Roberts, and Muriel Long.  
 Second Row—Melvin Garrett, Helen Baker, Martha Turner (Pres.), Esther Baker, Julius Langrand, Lucille Baker, James Baker, Loren Richardson, Kenneth Edwards, Reina Donaldson, Lorr Ford, Louise Jamison (Treas.), Irene Peacock, Alice Landrith, and John Brown.  
 Front Row—Cleta Long Margaret Edwards, Thelma Wilson, Elsa Followell, Ivan Swearingen, Cecil Peacock, Max Goken, Donald Lisenby, Leland Coffman, Beulah Thompson, Ethel Turner, and Miss Ihlenfeldt (Adviser).

—She loves teachers for an unknown reason.—Doris Lisenby.





## NIXOLA LITERARY SOCIETY

The Nixola Literary Society met on September ninth, for the purpose of electing officers. Under the supervision of Miss Ihlenfeldt, our adviser, we made out a series of programs to be presented before the assembly every two weeks.

Our first program consisted of our original Hallowe'en Burlesque in which we succeeded in scarring the students and faculty by our grotesque costumes. Other programs of interest were: Commemoration of Abraham Lincoln's Birthday, Original Themes and Poems, and Good Citizenship Talks.

We feel that these programs have been of great benefit to the students, especially to the underclassmen in preparing them for plays and other public performances in which they will later take part.

We have had a successful year, but we are looking forward to a larger membership and better programs next year.



## ALETHENAE SOCIETY

The Alethenae Society met the first of the year and selected Miss Schmuck as their adviser. Under her capable direction the society (which was responsible for a program every two weeks) has given some creditable entertainments consisting of operettas, patriotic programs and debates. The following are a few of the best of these programs.

"Freshies," was a one-act operetta given by the male members of the society. The boys put lots of "pep" in their acting, thereby holding their audience spellbound for half an hour.

At the Christmas program the following subject was debated: Resolved, It is wrong to teach children about Santa Claus. The affirmative side grew so bold and heated in their affirmation of the wickedness of such a "fib" that the poor "freshies" were almost in tears when the judges relieved them of their sorrow by deciding in favor of the negative side.

"Lady Frances," a one-act operetta, was given by the Alethenae girls before the Parent-Teachers Association. Everyone will admit that Bridget O'Harrigan was a "scream."

Thus, we feel that we have had a very successful year and are sure that the underclassmen will preserve this standard for the Alethenae Society in future years.





### Alethene Society

Back Row—Virginia Gray, Dale Shinneman, Grace Baker, Wils Mattix, Florence Shaw, Lyle Shinneman, Dale Cohn, (Vice-President) Lester Glenn, Dorothy Cotton, Dean Whitehead, Floy Shinneman, Wilbur Shinneman, and Mary Baker.  
 Middle Row—Alice Jamison, Henry Dawson, Pauline Goken, (Sec-Treas.) Max Rainey, Helen Shinneman, Vernelle Gift, Ralph Donaldson, Howard Baker, Randall Sims, Celesta Hiter, Bernice Olson, Dale Pitcher, and Denzil Halcum.  
 FRONT ROW—Lela Rainey, (President), Lester Thurber, Bernice McBride, T. J. Shinneman, Wilmoth Crowe, Andrew Allen, Thelma Smith, Lawrence Meredith, Doris Lisenby, Herman Landrith, Harold Rainey, and Miss Schmuck (Adviser).

—The questionnaire. Lyle Shinneman.



## JUNIOR BANQUET

On Friday evening, May the fourth, the class of '29 entertained the class of '28 at a seven o'clock dinner in the high school gymnasium. Between courses, Miss Schmuck, Miss Packer, and Arete Coffman gave special numbers. When dinner was finished, the toastmaster, Edward Baker, introduced the following persons: Dr. Marvel, Doris Lisenby, Denzil Halcom and Mr. Dickey.

The "gym" was beautifully decorated in green and white, the two classes' colors. Sweet Peas formed the center pieces for the table. Menu:

Fruit Cocktail			
Mashed Potatoes	Gravy	Roast Chicken with Dressing	Peas in Patty Shells
Perfection Salad		Parker House Rolls	Radishes
Tutti Frutti Ice Cream	Angel Food Cake		Coffee Mints



## THE PLAYS

### GO SLOW, MARY

Presented by the Athletic Association on Tuesday, Oct. 25, 1927.

#### CAST

Dolly Berdon—Mary's niece, a holy terror, .....	Virginia Gray
Bobby Berdon—Mary's nephew, another holy terror, .....	Wils Mattix
Mary Abbey—a discontented wife, .....	Lela Rainey
Billy Abbey—her husband out of a job, .....	Max Goken
Mrs. Berdon—Mary's mother, .....	Renna Donaldson
Katie—the Abbey's maid, .....	Esther Baker
Sally Carter—Mary's bosom friend, .....	Lotus Leevey
Danny Grubb—an ice man, suitor of Katie, .....	Howard Baker
Murphy—a policeman, Danny's rival, .....	Wayne Reeser
Burt Childs—Billy's friend, .....	Loren Richardson
Harry Stevens—Sally's sweetheart, .....	Donald Lisenby

—Shall we win or lose.—Clarence Perkins.





### TED DROPS IN

Given by the senior class on Thursday, Dec. 22, 1928.

#### CAST

Ted Lansing—who happened along at Maple Point Farm, ..... Denzil Halcom  
 Lonnie Cramer—who happened along a week before Ted, ..... Max Goken  
 Charlie Crowder—a young neighbor working at Maple Point Farm, Donald Lisenby  
 Joe Kane—an influential figure in the county, ..... Cecil Peacock  
 Betty Carlton—owner of Maple Point Farm, ..... Harriet Roseman  
 Winnie Carlton—her younger sister, ..... Pauline Goken  
 Sally Belton—a coy and pretty neighbor, ..... Martha Turner  
 Judy Jefferson—cook for the Carlton's, ..... Lela Rainey



### CYCLONE SALLY

Presented by the junior class on Friday, April 27, 1928.

#### CAST

Jack Webster—owner of the Webster Estate, ..... Howard Baker  
 Reggie Manners—a young Englishman, adept at plucking peaches, Loren Richardson  
 Jim Jerkins—courtied for twenty years, but not yet discouraged, .... Lester Glenn  
 Willie Clump—Sue Bancom's bean and the world's eighth wonder, ..... Paul King  
 Sally Graham—"Cyclone Sally," ..... Arete Coffman  
 Jenney Thatcher—forty, the object of Jim's persistence, ..... Cleta Long  
 Ruth Thatcher—a peach Reggie would like to pick, ..... Doris Lisenby  
 Effie Varden—a cute little neighbor, ..... Celesta Hiter  
 Vivian Vernon—the belle of Cedar Point, ..... Ethel Turner



### DRAMATICS

"Go Slow, Mary," given for the benefit of the Athletic Association early in the season, was a success both from the standpoint of dramatics and finances. The cast selected from the four classes initiated several underclassmen into this phase of high school life, where they demonstrated creditably their ability as novices.

"Ted Drops In," the senior play, is particularly worthy of mention, since it was staged with much ease and aptness by its cast.

"Cyclone Sally," the initial dramatic presentation of the class of '29 was staged with credit to the cast, which was composed almost entirely of inexperienced players.

The seniors expect to give a play instead of the usual Class Night exercises; however, it has not been selected as yet.

In general, the plays have been well presented and much credit is due Miss Langford, the dramatic coach, for the success of this literary achievement.

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—If there's anything to do, let me do it.—Cecil Peacock.





## ALUMNI

## Alumni Association officers:

President, .....	V. L. Shinneman
Vice President, .....	Howard Burton
Secretary, .....	Carol Adams
Treasurer, .....	Clara Dickey



## Class of '18

Lola Emery, teacher, .....	Kankakee, Illinois
C. C. Gray, pharmacist, married, .....	Canton, Illinois
W. H. Gray, banker, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Clarence Kiel, civil service, married, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Karl Peterson, electrician, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Vern Shinneman, postmaster, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Fleet Summers, I. C. Shops, .....	Clinton, Illinois
Mildred Saylor, Mrs. Harry Goble, .....	Weldon, Illinois

## Class of '19

Beatrice Bales, Mrs. Rex Garrett, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Charles Adams, salesman, married, .....	Hoopeston, Illinois
Velda Hunt, Mrs. Elmer Mix, .....	DeLand, Illinois
Ray Olson, traveling collector, .....	Decatur, Illinois
Gladys Hunt, Mrs. Walter Marvel, .....	Peoria, Illinois

## Class of '20

Clarence Galaway, farmer, married, .....	DeLand, Illinois
Florence McKown, Mrs. V. L. Shinneman, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Ira Richardson, banker, .....	Springfield, Illinois
Opal Emery, teacher, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Ernest Dickey, superintendent, .....	Weldon, Illinois

## Class of '21

Ollie Roben, nurse, .....	Decatur, Illinois
Ruby Gray, Mrs. Ray O'Daffer, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Florence Baker, Mrs. Clarence Galaway, .....	DeLand, Illinois
Sarah Montgomery, .....	New York
Lois Ennis, Mrs. Elmo Galaway, .....	Warrensburg, Illinois
Paul Peterson, farmer, married, .....	Lane, Illinois
William Montgomery, I. C. shops, .....	Clinton, Illinois
Cora Swearingen, Mrs. Harry Clifton, .....	Decatur, Illinois

## Class of '22

Edna Baker, student, .....	Urbana, Illinois
Verneda Glenn, teacher, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Opal Gray, art teacher, .....	Springfield, Illinois

—A star basket ball player.—Thelma Wilson.



Gertrude Marsh, Mrs. Willard Jensen, .....	St. Louis, Mo.
Marie Marsh, Mrs. R. A. Ryan, .....	Deceased
Donn Mire, brickmason, .....	California
Clara Parr, Mrs. Ernest Dickey, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Leona Roben, Mrs. C. H. Miller, .....	Goosecreek, Texas
Voyle Roberts, farmer, married, .....	Lane, Illinois
Ura Shearer, at home, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Ethel Smith, nurse, .....	Decatur, Illinois

## Class of '23

Howard Burton, farmer, married, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Pearl Conover, stenographer, .....	Decatur, Illinois
Manila Danison, Mrs. G. W. Hedburg, .....	Danville, Illinois
Ava Ennis, student, .....	Champaign, Illinois
Cleo Long, Mrs. McCormick, .....	Chicago, Illinois
Corwin Miller, orchestra, .....	St. Louis, Mo.
Sylvia Mire, employee, .....	Bloomington, Illinois
Ada Perkins, Mrs. Morris McKown, .....	Decatur, Illinois
Lucille Redding, Mrs. Fred McKown, .....	Decatur, Illinois
Marie Shinneman, Mrs. Robert Elliot, .....	Tampa, Fla.
Owen Tilbury, student, .....	Normal, Illinois
Walter West, Weldon Lumber Co., .....	Weldon, Illinois
Lela Wise, Mrs. Burnett Goken, .....	Weldon, Illinois
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## Class of '24

Elsie Bobie, employee, .....	Decatur, Illinois
Elda DeSpain, Mrs. Benton Granley, .....	Holder, Illinois
Erma Dickey, Mrs. Arthur Miller, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Lewis Edwards, pharmacist, .....	Decatur, Illinois
Arthur Ennis, student, .....	Urbana, Illinois
Laura Foote, stenographer, .....	Detroit, Michigan
Marjorie Fullenwider, nurse, .....	Decatur, Illinois
Francis Galaway, teacher, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Opal Geer, nurse, .....	Chicago, Illinois
Roy Geer, salesman, .....	Chicago, Illinois
Earle Hunt, painter, married, .....	Detroit, Michigan
Lucile Hunt, Mrs. Howard Burton, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Marjorie Mattix, Mrs. Earle Hunt, .....	Detroit, Michigan
Glenn McConkey, teacher, .....	Kenney, Illinois
Ethel Meridith, Mrs. Ernest Mast, .....	Danville, Illinois
Lorraine Olson, Mrs. Phillip Foote, .....	Detroit, Michigan
Altha Rainey, teacher, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Roy Wilson, teacher, .....	DeWitt, Illinois
Mildred Baker, at home, .....	Weldon, Illinois

## Class of '25

Philip Foote, Sporting Goods Co., married, .....	Detroit, Michigan
Lotus Hunt, Mrs. Kenneth McConkey, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Paul Walden, salesman, .....	LeRoy, Illinois

—I should like to own a restaurant.—Pauline Goken.





Frances Fleming, student, .....	Urbana, Illinois
Glenn Tilbury, student, .....	Normal, Illinois
Pauline Marvel, student, .....	Evanston, Illinois
Nora Bennett, .....	Glassport, Indiana
Kenneth McConkey, teacher, .....	Weldon, Illinois

## Class of '26

Vera Baker, teacher, .....	Farmer City, Illinois
Mabel Glasgow, at home, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Wayne King, telegrapher, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Margaret Carr, Mrs. C. L. Rhodes, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Ruth Dressler, at home, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Harry Wise, farmer, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Lela Roseman, student, .....	Normal, Illinois
Helen Baker, at home, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Lewis Pencoek, salesman, .....	Chicago, Illinois
Lena Bebie, employee, .....	Decatur, Illinois
Page Hoops, at home, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Jeanetta Rhodes, Meullers Mfg. Co., .....	Decatur, Illinois
Juanita Martin, student, .....	Urbana, Illinois
Lester Baker, farmer, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Ura Whitehead, at home, .....	Lane, Illinois
Mildred Peterson, at home, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Vaughn Edwards, employee, .....	Decatur, Illinois
Gladys Peterson, student, .....	Urbana, Illinois
Ike Reinhart, Pontiac Plant, .....	Pontiac, Michigan

## Class of '27

Carol Adams, at home, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Walter Dressler, farmer, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Jessie Baker, nurse maid, .....	Chicago, Illinois
Charlotte Barclay, at home, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Russell Fullenwider, student, .....	La Salle, Illinois
Bernice Bebie, at home, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Laura Barclay, Mrs. A. Beck, .....	Flora, Illinois
Willard Gift, farmer, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Eileen Fleming, student, .....	Urbana, Illinois
Thelma Glenn, Mrs. Richard Monkman, .....	Chicago, Illinois
Wayne Meredith, employee, .....	Bloomington, Illinois
Grace Goken, at home, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Mossie Rich, at home, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Kenneth Thurber, farmer, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Pearl Long, at home, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Margaret Railsback, student, .....	Urbana, Illinois
Irene Smith, telephone operator, .....	Weldon, Illinois
Kenneth Smith, at home, .....	Weldon, Illinois

—Gee, but I learn fast.—Lester Thurber.



### ASK ME ANOTHER ABOUT N. T. H. S.

- 1—When was the N. T. H. S. district organized?
- 2—Who was the first president of the district?
- 3—What persons have served as secretary of the Board of Education?
- 4—How many times has N. T. H. S. won the county basket ball tournament?
- 5—In what year was the first class graduated?
- 6—How many people, including this year's class, have been graduated from N.T.H.S.?
- 7—Which was the largest class to be graduated?
- 8—How long has the present school building been in use?
- 9—Who was the first superintendent of N. T. H. S.?
- 10—What languages are a part of the N. T. H. S. curriculum?
- 11—What recognition has N. T. H. S. as a high school?
- 12—How many of the graduates of N. T. H. S. are now married?
- 13—How many of the graduates of N. T. H. S. have profited from the special instruction given in music to the extent that they have taken an active part in orchestra work?
- 14—Have the Girls' Glee Clubs won any honors for the school?
- 15—What three things occupy most of Mr. Bebie's time as janitor?
- 16—Who of the graduates were in the service of their country during the World War?
- 17—What man who is nationally known, once delivered a commencement address at N. T. H. S.?
- 18—How many people have been employed as teachers in N. T. H. S.?

(Seek answers elsewhere in this book).



### THE HONOR ROLL

In this age of intense interest in athletics, we are inclined to minimize the importance of scholarship. Athletic heroes perhaps receive more than their share of publicity while good students receive little praise. It has been the practice the last year to publish an Honor Roll at the end of each six weeks and also at the end of the semester. A pupil, to receive this distinction, must have averaged ninety or above.

The Honor Roll of N. T. H. S. for the first semester was as follows:

FRESHMAN CLASS—Emice Baker, 94; Alice Jamison, 93 $\frac{3}{4}$ .

SOPHOMORE CLASS—Leland Coffman, 92; Dorothy Hiter, 92 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

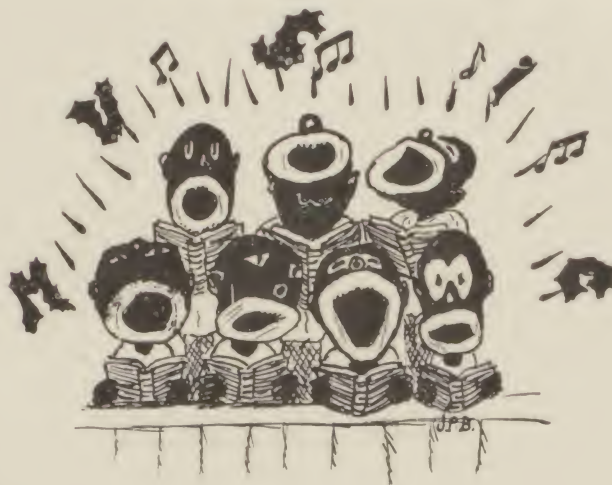
JUNIOR CLASS—Doris Lisenby, 95 $\frac{3}{4}$ ; Wayne Reeser, 92 $\frac{3}{4}$ ; Areta Coffman, 90 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Celesta Hiter, 90.

SENIOR CLASS—Donald Lisenby, 93 $\frac{1}{4}$ ; Lela Rainey, 91 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Louise Jamison, 91; Denzil Halcom, 90 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

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—Happy and care free.—Francis Hoops.





## MUSIC

### GLEE CLUBS

At the beginning of the year both the Girls' and the Boys' Glee Clubs were organized under the supervision of Miss Schmuck. The girls selected Ethel Turner for their accompanist, and the boys chose Miss Packer.

Both organizations furnished music for the High School Night services which were held alternately at the two churches on the first Sunday of every Month.

An unusually creditable activity was presented by the music department May 11, to celebrate national music week. The program was as follows:

Rip Van Winkle, a clever cantata, written for three parts, based upon the Legend of the same name by Washington Irving, presented by the combined Glee Clubs

Initiation, a one-act operetta presented by the Boys' Glee Club, was a typical example of the complications brought about in initiating three freshmen pledges into the secret realms of a fraternity.

Cynthia's Strategy was a one-act operetta with but four characters. Cynthia, (Floy Shinneman) and Stanley, (Denzil Halcom) are in love with each other, but Cynthia's father, Mr. Perry, (Donald Lisenby) objects to Stanley because of business differences with Stanley's father. Cynthia concocts a scheme to outwit her father and finally wins the consent of Mr. and Mrs. Perry, (Ethel Turner) to marry Stanley.



### Girls Glee Club

Back Row—Miss Schmuck (Instructor): Lela Rainey, Thelma Wilson, Esther Baker, Pauline Goken, Renna Donaldson, Lucile Baker, Alice Landrith, Doris Lisenby (Pres.), Martha Turner, Ethel Turner (Pianist, Sec. and Treas.), and Floy Shinneman.  
Front Row—Mary Baker, Virginia Gray, Harriet Roseman, Irene Marsh, Marlaret Edwards, Eunice Baker, Bernice McBride, Dorothy Cotton, Beulah Thompson, Clela Long, Thelma Smith, and Arete Coffman.



### Boys Glee Club

Back Row—Miss Schmuck (Instructor), Donald Lisenby, James Baker, Loren Richardson, Ralph Donaldson, Cecil Peacock, Lester Glenn, and Ethel Turner (Pianist).  
Front Row—Wils Mattix, Lyle Shinneman, Ivan Swearingen, Leland Coffman, Howard Baker, John Brown, Paul King, Denzil Halcom, and Dale Shinneman.

—Tunney is my next competitor.—Dale Shinneman.





Harry Merry

### SENIOR ORCHESTRA

Although the Senior Orchestra lost several of its prominent members in last year's graduating class, we feel that much has been accomplished in the school year of 1927-1928. There are nine members in this organization besides the instructor, Mr. Merry. At the close of this year's term we will lose only one player, and thus the orchestra will not be handicapped at the beginning of the next term.

The Senior Orchestra has always been ready and willing to do its part in community as well as school affairs. On May 8th, during National Music Week, a concert was given by the two orchestras. Besides giving this evening's entertainment, the Senior Orchestra has taken part in several other programs, such as class plays, parent-teacher meetings, commencement, and other social functions.



### JUNIOR ORCHESTRA

The Junior Orchestra has rapidly increased this year. It is composed of twenty-one members, several of whom are high school pupils. With such a membership this orchestra has a much greater variety of instruments than the Senior Orchestra and because of this it has steadily improved and its members will be admirably fitted for admission to the latter in a few years.

Mr. Merry, the director, has worked faithfully and hopefully anticipates the future development of this group. On May the 8th, the Junior Orchestra skillfully contributed its share of the program; also it has appeared at several parent-teacher meetings.



### Senior Orchestra

Left to Right—Mr. Merry (Director), Beulah Thompson, Miss Packer, Arete Coffman, Clarence Perkins, Wayne Reeser, Doris Lisenby, Miss Schmuck (Ass't Director), Denzil Halcom.



### Junior Orchestra

Left to Right—Lyle Shinneman, Arthur McNichols, John Brown, Evelyn Benson, Leon Danison, Clarence Goken, Freda Peterson, Max Rainey, Irene Marsh, Miss Schmuck (Ass't Director), Colin Reeves, Carl Galaway, Fern Goken, Esther Baker, Ethel Goken, Harold Reeser.

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—My size is no measure of my curiosity.—Melvin Garrett.



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ATHLETICS

—Laugh and grow fat.—Ethel Turner.



**Basket Ball '27-'28**

Back Row—Clarence Perkins, Andrew Allen, Henry Dawson, Mr. Means (Coach),  
Front Row—Lester Glenn, Max Goken, Donald Lisenby (Capt.), Cecil Peacock, Denzil Halecom.





## BASKET BALL '27-'28

Basket Ball is an excellent game, not only for physical exercise but for mental training as well, as it calls for concentration, quickness of perception and thought, and the "team work" which is so valuable a feature of all group play. Its rules governing fouls and behavior on the floor are so stringent that anger and loss of self-control practically rules one out of the game. Physically, the game does not require or demand the great strength of foot ball; but quickness, agility, endurance, a keen sense of direction and muscular control are essential. Throughout, it is a rapid game, well played by enthusiastic players, who throw themselves heart and soul into the sport. It is a great test for all participants as to whether or not they possess good sportsmanship which is essential to a good moral character.

Basket Ball, when played by pupils of a high school, gives to all enthusiastic on-lookers a real picture of one's ability to take a few jolts in a game and then be called a "good loser" as well as a "good winner."

Basket Ball was started this year by an announcement of practice by Coach Means about the first part of November. After the last round in March we look back over the schedule and count the record. We find that the season has been a successful one. Although the team lost 12 out of 22 games and were outscored, too, by their opponents, they were charted as a success in a financial way, in their sportsmanship and their good clean basket ball.



## THE COUNTY TOURNAMENT

The County Tournament was carried out on a different plan this year. It was all played at the Washington Gym at Clinton. Weldon entered in hopes of placing, as they did in the former years, but due to the fact that they did not play the standard game of basket ball, they were defeated in the first game of the tournament by a score of 35 to 20. This game with Wapella was a scoring contest for the players of the Wapella five.



## THE GAMES OF '27-'28

NIXON 4, ARGENTA 5

With the first game of the season at hand Weldon motored to Argenta with many enthusiastic fans. Although the score was 5 to 4 against the team, it did not show the ability of the team, in so far as they were greatly handicapped.

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—Five foot two, eyes of blue.—Bernice McBride.



## NIXON 27, SAYBROOK 24

Coach Means, having found the weak points by the Argenta loss, polished and strengthened them up a little after which they took the Saybrook five into camp by a score of 27 to 24.

## NIXON 33, WAYNESVILLE 13

Weldon took the second victory of the season from Waynesville by a score of 33 to 13.

## NIXON 16, DELAND 8

Weldon went after DeLand's five for another season. It seems as though Weldon can't lose to DeLand. Anyway, they outwitted them 16 to 8 in a slow contest.

## NIXON 15, SAYBROOK 10

Weldon took the second game from Saybrook by a score of 15 to 10. The Saybrook five were out for revenge but were unsuccessful.

## NIXON 15, CLINTON 29

The hardest game of the season was at hand. Clinton had developed a real team and the local five were unable to keep the pace set by them. We lost 29 to 15 after leading nearly all the first half.

## NIXON 17, KENNEY 14

With the sick list claiming a player or two, Weldon met Kenney for the first time this season. They were given a stiff run to beat Kenney in a slow tilt, by a score of 17 to 14.

## NIXON 23, LEROY 32

The Weldon team and fans motored to LeRoy for the first game with that school in several years, and were outwitted 32 to 23 by the LeRoy tossers.

## NIXON 26, ALUMNI 9

With the vacation days at hand, all the old "stars" of N. T. H. S. were back for the annual game with the high school. Their team consisted of some of the best of players, but the local five beat them 26 to 9.

## NIXON 21, BELLEFLOWER 33

Weldon did not know the strength of the Belleflower five, but rumors were that they had a real team. That is what we found when they emerged victorious by a score of 33 to 21.

## NIXON 28, CLINTON 34

When it comes to basket ball between Clinton and Weldon, both teams were ready to put up a real scrap to win. That is what it was, and the results were that we had a real game. When the score was tallied up for both sides, we found that Clinton had won by a mere margin of six points, the score being 34 to 28.

## NIXON 36, DELAND 15

Since the days of basket ball, DeLand has had but one aim. They wanted to win over Weldon, but for the Nth time Weldon met DeLand and won by a score of 36 to 15—far from victory for the DeLand five, and still yet farther from that one aim.

## NIXON 20, WAPELLA 35

Weldon met the Wapella sharp shooters in the first game of the County Tournament and lost by a score of 35 to 20.

## NIXON 20, BELLEFLOWER 45

Weldon lost a second game to Belleflower in a scoring contest for the visitors.





## NIXON 25, ARGENTA 27

Weldon lost to Argenta on the home floor in one of the fastest and closest games of the season. Argenta was victorious by a margin of two points, deciding the contest in their favor by a score of 27 to 25.

## NIXON 19, MANSFIELD 30

Weldon lost to Mansfield on their floor, in a rough game with a score of 30 to 19.

## NIXON 25, FARMER CITY 26

A hard fought game, a long shot by a visiting player in the last few seconds, and the game was lost to Farmer City, 26 to 25.

## NIXON 27, WAYNESVILLE 12

Weldon got into the winning column once more by winning over Waynesville by a score of 27 to 12.

## NIXON 31, KENNEY 9

When Weldon gets over thirty points, they generally win, as was the case when they beat Kenney 31 to 9.

## NIXON 14, FARMER CITY 22

The Weldon boys had not been used to playing hide and seek, consequently, when they played Farmere City, they were not able to beat them at their own game. When the final whistle blew, Weldon was found to be losers by a score of 22 to 14.

## NIXON 28, MANSFIELD 20

The local boys were out for revenge. They got it when they defeated the Mansfield five in a hard fought game by a score of 28 to 20. This was the last scheduled game of the season and the boys had to be credited with a victory.

## NIXON 10, TOLONO 35

Weldon entered the district tournament at Monticello. Tolono was credited with a good team and Weldon was minus a few players on account of sickness; so were unable to hold the Tolono five. This was the last game to be played by Denzil Halcom, Donald Lisenby, Max Goken and Cecil Peacock for N. T. H. S.

Games won, 10; Games lost, 12. Opponents' score, 487; N. T. H. S. score, 480.



## THE SENIOR GRADUATES

**DONALD LISENBY**—Donald, captain of the squad, filled a difficult position on this year's team. Owing to the lack of material, he was shifted from his regular position as forward to the center position. His work at center was remarkable both on the offensive and the defensive.

**CECIL PEACOCK**—Cecil is also a senior. His ability to hit the basket often saved the day for N. T. H. S. He is a fast forward and a consistent player. His position which is left vacant will be hard to fill.

**MAX GOKEN**—Max has been a valuable player on this year's team. He was not only capable of doing what a good guard should do, but he also took part in all offensive plays. His ability to score made it difficult to fill his position the few times he was forced from the game by the foul route or by illness.

**DENZIL HALCOM**—Denzil was a valuable player on this year's squad. He played in more than half of the games and could always be depended upon to do his best. One of the encouraging factors in Denzil's playing was his improvement during the season.



## THE CLASS TOURNAMENT

The annual class tournament was held after the district meet. Although the scores show a wide range of difference, there were some real games played. One interesting factor in this tournament was the type of ball played by some of the so called "scrubs." They seemed to be able to play better ball than they were credited with.

(1) Junior	(15) {	Juniors	(2) Seniors	(56) {	Seniors
Sophomores	(4) }		Freshmen	(4) }	
(3) Winner Game 1	(10) {	Seniors	(4) Losers Game 1	(5) {	Freshmen
Winner Game 2	(47) }		Losers Game 2	(14) }	
(5) Losers Game 3	(2) {	Sophomores—Third Place			
Losers Game 4	(35) }				
(6) Seniors	(42) {	Seniors—Champions			
Freshmen	(14) }				

## SECOND TEAM

One of the features of this season's work most interesting to the high school and basket ball fans, was the development of the second team, one of which the people should be proud in the coming years. They played several games and, although they did not win all of them, much commendation is due them for the type and standard of basket ball exhibited. We shall hear more from this group in the future.

## GIRLS' ATHLETICS

Girls' Athletics was started this year under the supervision of Miss Packer. All the girls were required to take the regular gym work which afforded them worth while physical training. The basket ball teams of the various classes were evenly matched, as may be seen from the comparative scores, and throughout the year, the girls played fine exhibition games. The girls' class tournament was as follows:

(1) Freshmen	(0)	(2) Seniors	(8)
Juniors,	(7)	Sophomores	(7)
(3) Winners Game 1	(6) {	Seniors—Champions,	
Winners Game 2	(10) }		
(4) Freshmen	(3) {	Freshmen—Third Place	
Sophomores	(1) }		

The Freshmen team was comprised of Eunice Baker, Alice Jamison, Dorthy Cotton, Captain; Virginia Gray, and Margaret Edwards. Sophomores: Floy Shinneman, Irene Peacock, Helen Shinneman, Captain; Thelma Wilson and Beulah Tompson. Juniors: Celesta Hiter, Ersa Followell, Aréta Coffman, Captain; Ethel Turner and Doris Lisenby. Seniors: Lela Rainey, Martha Turner, Pauline Goken, Captain; Louise Jamison and Harriet Roseman.





## CALENDAR

- September 5—First day of school.  
 September 7—First Girls' Glee Club Practice.  
 September 13—We become acquainted with Mr. Merry again. Orchestra practice.  
 September 15—Boys' Glee Club is at the twenty minute period this year.  
 September 20—Teachers' Reception. A good attendance.  
 September 26—May Porter visited N. T. H. S. Rev. L. S. Kidd gave an interesting talk to the students.  
 September 27—School Board rents a piano. Miss Ihlenfeldt has a visitor.  
 September 30—Juniors receive class rings.  
 October 3—Sophomore wiener roast.  
 October 4—Institute.  
 October 12—Miss Bopp visits school.  
 October 13—Rev. Dolan, Hall and Strause gave interesting talks.  
 October 14—Girls' Glee Club sing at M. P. Church.  
 October 17—First six weeks' quiz.  
 October 18—Photographer here.  
 October 21—Rev. Hall speaks to students and teachers.  
 October 25—"Go Slow, Mary," is presented before a large crowd.  
 October 28—Nixola program.  
 November 4—Mr. Dickey has his hand hurt.  
 November 7—Mr. Dickey ill. Miss Smith teaching in his place.  
 November 11—Practice B. B. game. We won.  
 November 16—Argenta 5, Weldon 4.  
 November 18—Weldon 27, Saybrook 24. Teachers' Institute at Champaign.  
 November 23—Weldon 33, Waynesville 13.  
 November 24—Thanksgiving. No school today and tomorrow.  
 December 2—Weldon 16, DeLand 8.  
 December 4—High School Night.  
 December 5—Four visitors are here today.  
 December 9—Weldon 15, Saybrook 10.  
 December 10—Clinton 29, Weldon 15.  
 December 14—Freshies have started writing letters to Santa.  
 December 16—Weldon 17, Kenney 14.  
 December 20—H. S. and grade students put on a program.  
 December 22—Senior Play. A good attendance.  
 December 23—Teachers leave Weldon to go home. Weldon 23, LeRoy 32.  
 December 26—Vacation.  
 December 30—N. T. H. S. 26, Alumni 9.  
 January 3—Vacation over. Must study again.  
 January 4—Miss Schmuck ill. Can't come back to school.  
 January 6—Bellflower 31, Weldon 23.  
 January 8—H. S. Night.  
 January 10—Clinton 34, Weldon 28.  
 January 13—Weldon 36, DeLand 15.  
 January 16—Miss Schmuck back.



- January 19—Wapella 37, Weldon 21.  
 January 24—Bellflower 45, Weldon 20.  
 January 27—Argenta 27, Weldon 25.  
 February 1—Dr. Marvel talked to students.  
 February 2—Mr. Means ill. He can not be at school.  
 February 3—Mansfield 30, Weldon 19.  
 February 6—Mr. Means able to be with us again.  
 February 8—Farmer City 26, Weldon 25.  
 February 10—Weldon 27, Waynesville 12.  
 February 17—Weldon 31, Kenney 9. Keep it up boys.  
 February 21—Mrs. May Porter, County Superintendent of Schools visited N. T. H. S.  
 February 22—Mrs. Porter and Rev. Kidd talked to the students.  
 February 23—Nice snow we are having today.  
 February 25—Farmer City 22, Weldon 14.  
 February 27—Mr. Means is ill.  
 March 1—Do we like the mumps? I'll say we don't!  
 March 2—Weldon 28, Mansfield 20.  
 March 9—Tolono 36, Weldon 10.  
 March 12—Citizenship program given at Parent-Teachers' meeting. Also an operetta was presented.  
 March 14—Boys' class tournament. Juniors 15, Sophomores 4. Seniors 56, Freshmen, 4.  
 March 15—Seniors 47, Juniors 10. Freshmen 17, Sophomores 4.  
 March 16—Senior boys won first place; Freshmen, second; Juniors, third; Sophomores, fourth.  
 March 19—Girls' tournament. Seniors 8, Sophomores 7. Juniors 9, Freshmen 4.  
 March 20—Senior girls won first place; Juniors, second; Freshmen third, and Sophomores, fourth.  
 March 22—Teachers' meeting in Peoria.  
 March 23—First vacation we have had for a long time, and the only one we will have for a long time.  
 March 27—Miss Langford is not able to be with us.  
 March 30—Hurrah! Miss Langford back again.  
 April 6—Parent-Teacher's Meeting. Senior Party at Mr. Dickey's home. Easter novelties given as prizes.  
 April 9—We must like "mumps."  
 April 13—Where are our April showers?  
 April 17—Orchestra practice as usual today.  
 April 20—Boys' and Girls' Glee Clubs are practicing for an operetta.  
 April 25—Junior Play Practice.  
 April 27—Junior Play, "Cyclone Sally," a success.

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—Admired by all.—Martha Turner.





- May 4—Junior-Senior Banquet.  
May 8—Concert by both orchestras.  
May 11—Rip Van Winkle.  
May 17—Miss Schmuck's grade school program.  
May 18—Grade School Commencement in high school auditorium.  
May 26—Alumni Banquet.  
May 27—Baccalaureate.  
May 29—"Mary's Millions," Class Night Play.  
May 30—Memorial Day.  
June 1—High School Commencement Picnic.

—Louise Jamison



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—You see many blonds, but red hair is natural.—Mary Baker.



Alfred Bebie

### OUR JANITOR

Our janitor, Mr Bebie, is the most faithful man of all men. Each day he has the same work to do—firing, sweeping, dusting and preventing unruly persons from marring the building. Still he never complains, but faithfully performs his tasks. We, the seniors of '28, wish to extend to him our gratitude and thanks and also wish him good luck in future years.

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—I have the nerve to fuss, but not the inclination.





**Nellie Benson**  
7th and 8th Grades

**Maria Moore**  
1st and 2nd grades

**Kenneth McConkey**  
5th and 6th Grades

**Opal Emery**  
3rd and 4th Grades

## THE GRADE SCHOOL

When school opened Monday, September 5, 1927, there were one hundred and ten pupils enrolled in the Weldon Grade School. The following teachers were hired: Miss Nelle Benson, principal and seventh and eighth grade teacher; Kenneth McConkey, fifth and sixth grade teacher; Miss Opal Emery, third and fourth grade teacher; Miss Marie Moore, first and second grade teacher; Miss Laura Schmuck, vocal instructor; Harry Merry, orchestra instructor. The attendance was nearly perfect until March when the excellent record was interrupted by the mumps and influenza.

Departmental work was done in the five upper grades, and it proved very successful. Miss Benson taught geography; Mr. McConkey, arithmetic, and Miss Emery taught reading.

It was decided that the Weldon Grade School should be represented in the County Spelling Contest; so the best were sent to Clinton. The following pupils were chosen: Gertrude Redding, Fern Goken, Marie Edwards and Freda Peterson.

An operetta was given in May by the sixth grade children under the supervision of Miss Schmuck, and also the Junior Orchestra gave a concert the same week under the supervision of Mr. Merry.

This year the grade school is very proud of its work done by both teachers and pupils. The Board of Education and Parent-Teachers' Association deserve considerable credit for the school's progress.

The eighth grade commencement exercises were held Friday evening, May 18, in the Nixon Township high school building.

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'Cause you're a long time dead.—Helen Shinneman.  
You might as well live while you're alive



## BASKET BALL NOTES

The Weldon Grade School Basket Ball Team did not get a very good start for their season's play. They were handicapped by the lack of a place in which to play. Later in the season they were allowed to use the high school gym.

Although the team didn't play many games, they were able to get in some good practice under the coaching of Mr. McConkey. The boys made a good showing in the DeWitt County Grade Tournament. Weldon's center, Clarence Goken, was placed on the all star selection.

The boys are looking forward to a better season next year.



The Grade Board

ELMER LONG

DR. A. V. FOOTE

JESSE H. McBRIDE

"A little foolishness now and then,  
Is relished by the best of men."—Laurence Meredith.





### First and Second Grades

Bottom Row—Miss Moore, Teacher; Jack Pearl, Cecil Baker, Audrey Anna Long, Marjorie Holtfreter, Junior Glasgow, Agnes Edwards, Jewel Oaks, Ruel Thompkins, Elizabeth Pencoek, Lora May Garrett, Donald Baker, Richard Swearingen, and Cecil Brown.  
 Second Row—Earthel Thompkins, Irving Dawson, Dorothy Moody, John Kellerhaults, Bobby Keel, Goldie Spicer, Dwain Redding, Lloyd Reeser, Donald Sutherland, Mildred Perkins, Dean Shinneman, and Junior Long.



### Fifth and Sixth Grades

Bottom Row—Hester Long, Virgil Glasgow, Jean Clemous, Lawrence Brown, Charles Smith, Mary Brown, Donald King, Leota Brown, Leon Danison, and Marjorie Persons.  
 Second Row—Kenneth McConkey, Teacher; Bernice Redding, Charles Workman, Florence Black, Lora Spicer, Virgil Long, Margaret Brown, Margaret Grammer, Arvel Spicer, and Freda Edwards.  
 Third Row—Colin Reeves, Eleanor Field, Phyllis Coffman, Leo Workman, Ruth Perkins, Vernelle Workman, Thelma Followell, Jessie Oakes, and George Bramel.



### Third and Fourth Grades

Bottom Row—Glen Smith, Margaret Southerland, Merva Thorpe, Beulah Redding, Richard Archie Spicer, Eileen Workman, Lillie Sue Goble, and Dale Long.

ard Reeves, Bill Holtfretter, Maxine Perkins, David Houston, Thomas Edwards, Second Row—Miss Emery, Teacher; Carl Oaks, Bundy Spicer, Lee Baker, Junior Dawson, Dorothy Brown, Evelyn Moody, Erwin Donaldson, Fern Bateson, Leota Mankman, Lyle Reeser, Lester Goken, Lawrence Persons, and Junior Followell.



### Seventh and Eighth Grades

Bottom Row—Hubert Lisenby, Gertrude Redding, Mildred Brown, Evelyn Benson, Eulla Bateson, Charles Donaldson, Geraldine Ganett, Bernice Peacock, Rachel Long, and Marie Edwards.

Second Row—Miss Benson, Teacher, Carol Baker, Robert West, Ethel Goken, Ora Followell, Clarence Goken, Charles Baker, and Edna Moody.

Third Row—Harold Reeser, Ida Black, Wendell Pearl, Martha Perkins, Freda Peterson, Arthur McNichols, Fern Goken, and Lloyd Shinneman.





## HUMOR ?! !.

Mr. Dickey—"Name an island possession of the United States."

James B—"Hugh? Why a——?"

Mr. Dickey—"Correct!"



Doris—"Don ate something on the B. B. trip that poisoned him."

Martha—"Croquette?"

Doris—"No, but he's pretty sick."



Mr. Means—"Why haven't you your lesson?"

Pauline—"I couldn't study; the lights went out."

Mr. Means—"Why didn't you turn them on and send him home?"



Mr. Dickey—"Andrew, how come you are late?"

Andrew—"Well the alarm was set for six and there are seven in our family."



Waiter—"We have pork chops with French fried and we have chops lean."

Cecil—"Yes, sir, which way?"



### In A Freshman's Eye

The Senior stood on a railroad track

The train was coming fast,

The train got off the railroad track

And let the Senior pass.



Denzil—"I don't believe you like me anymore."

Miss Langford—"Good Heavens, I can't make love to you in class."



Miss Ihlenfeldt—"How dare you swear before me in class?"

Lester G.—"How did I know that you wanted to swear first?"



Mother—"Who called on you last night?"

Ethel—"Only Helen, Why?"

Mother—"Well, you tell Helen she left her pipe on the piano."

•••

Max G.—"What have you special?"

Waiter—"Small Steak a' la carte."

Max—"Alright, wheel it in."

•••

Visitor—"Young lady, what have you done for your school?"

Arete—"Why, I was the dot on the 'i' in the Nixon Band."

•••

Miss Packer—"If a farmer raised 3,000 bushels of wheat and sold it at \$2.00 per bushel, what would he get?"

T. J.—"An Automobile."

•••

Bernice—"I don't intend to marry until I'm 30."

Harriett—"And I don't intend to be 30 until I'm married."

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#### Dedicated To Harriett

When Mother's in the parlor

Sit—like—this.

When mother's in the kitchen,

Sit—like—this.

When mother's upstairs in bed,

Sitlikethis.

•••

Virginia—"My mother takes up French, Spanish, Italian and German."

Celesta—"Goodness, where does he study?"

Virginia—"He doesn't study; he runs an elevator."

•••

Thelma S.—"You are so cross eyed that the tears roll down your back when you cry."

Inez—"That's all right; the doctor's treating me for bacteria."

•••

Lyle—"Who has greater power than the king?"

Wils—"The Ace."

•••

Waiter—"We're up to date. Everything here is cooked by electricity."

Donald—"Well, then give this steak another shock."

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Dorothy—"Are you sure it is an exclusive perfume?"

Floy—"Oh, yes, only a few can pronounce it."

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—Love boys at a distance.—Alice Jamison.





Thelma W.—“Doc., why does so small a cavity feel so large to the tongue?”  
Dentist—“Just the natural tendency of the tongue to exaggerate, I suppose.”



Helen S.—“Oh! Baby’s cut a tooth.”  
Wilbur—“Well, get the iodine.”



Thelma W.—“Doc., why does so small a cavity feel so large to the tongue?”  
Dentist—“Just the natural tendency of the tongue to exaggerate, I suppose.”



Miss Schmuck—“What is the most nervous thing next to a woman?”  
Leland—“Me—next to a woman.”



Lucile B.—“Oh, I wish the Lord had made me a man.”  
Henry—“He did, I’m the man.”



Carl—“When I get to heaven I’m going to tell Shakespeare that I don’t like his plays.”  
Lawrence—“But what if he isn’t there?”  
Carl—“Then you tell him.”



Mr. Means in physics class on examination day—“Now write me all you know about electrodes.”  
Florence S.—“I’m not through lightning yet.”



Dale S.—“Say, how long do I have to wait for a shave?”  
Barber—“About three years, sonny.”



Loren—“How did you become an expert swimmer?”  
Wayne R.—“Why, I used to be a traffic cop in Venice.”



Louise—“Are late hours good for one?”  
Irene M.—“No, but they are fine for two.”



Max R.—“Can you dance?”  
Bentah—“Oh yes, I love to.”  
Max—“Then we’ll love.”



Howard on B. B. trip—“Which end shall I get off at?”  
Conductor—“It’s all the same to me, both ends stop.”

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—So young and sweet.—Inez Roberts.



Alice J.—"So she winked at you, eh? Well what followed?"

Melvin—"I did."



Lela R.—"I'm a champion cornet player. I entered a contest once and played 'Anne Laura' for three weeks."

Esther—"And did you win?"

Lela—"No, my opponent played Sousa's Stars and Stripes Forever."



Margaret E.—"What do you think of Virginia's new dinner gown?"

Mary B.—"Well, It's such a small matter I really don't care to discuss it."



Miss Schmuck in physical geography—"We will have the lesson on earth to-morrow."



## HOBBIES

Mr. Dickey—Editorials and Cartoons

Miss Ihlenfeldt—A Strict Assembly Period

Cecil Peacock—Helping Others

Ethel Turner—Keepin' Quiet

Benlah Thompson—To be Unnoticeable

Leland Coffman—Causing Disturbance

Ralph Donaldson—Studying

Andrew Allen—Promptness

Aus. Glenn—Making Speeches

Howard Baker—Leading Yells

Miss Schmuck—Banking Money

Donald Lisenby—Asking Questions

Wayne Reeser—Filibustering

Clarence Perkins—Bossing

Randall Sims—Pole Vaulting

Harold Rainey—Broad Jumping

Lela Rainey—Giving Orders

Doris Lisenby—Acting Cute

Esther Baker—Fussing



Miss Ihlenfeldt—"Please explain the compound verb."

Thelma S.—"It's a compound verb of motion."



Denzil and Donald—"We traveled to get advertisements the entire day and got two orders."

Mr. Dickey—"Too bad; who gave you those?"

Denzil—"Everyone—Get out and stay out."



Cecil—"Would you punish a boy for what he didn't do?"

Miss Packer—"Of course not."

Cecil—"Well, I didn't do my English."



Miss Langford—"I take great pleasure in giving you this 90 in English."

Andy—"Aw, make it 100 and enjoy yourself."

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—Now, let's be serious.—James Baker.





## ORGANIZATIONS AND SOCIETIES



### HOOKY AND CLASS CUTTING ORGANIZATION

Manager, - - - - - Lester Glenn  
 Assistant Manager, - - - - - Wils Mattix



### FUSSERS' UNION

Warm Devotion Manager, - - - - - Max Goken  
 President, - - - - - Cecil Peacock



### NUT CLUB

Prime Nut, - - - - - Andy Allen  
 Assistant Prime Nut, - - - - - Virginia Gray  
 Plain Nut, - - - - - Doris Lisenby  
 Another Nut, - - - - - James Baker



### SEEDY SOCIETY

President, - - - - - T. J. Shinneman  
 Variety Manager, - - - - - Carl Galaway  
 Promotor, - - - - - Francis Hoops  
 Beneficiaries, - - - - - Teachers



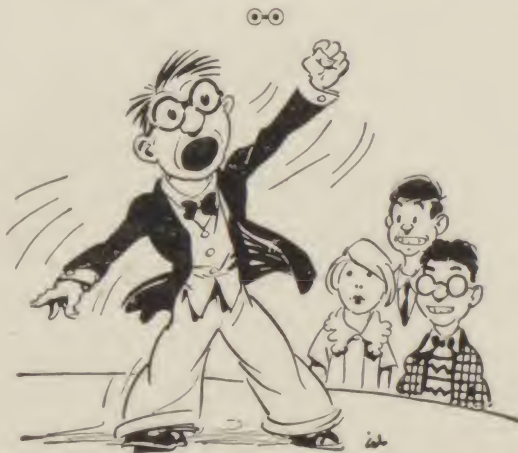
## N. T. H. S. FORD

Chassis, - - - - - Rena Donaldson  
Springs, - Henry Dawson & Lawrence M.  
Spark Plugs, Louise J., Lotus L., Lyle S.  
& Melvin G.

Gas, - - - - - Wayne Reeser  
Rear Axle & Differential, - Randall Sims  
Cushions, - Ethel Turner & Paul King  
Brakes, - - - - - Bernice McBride  
Emergency Brake, - - - - - Inez Roberts  
Horn, - - - - - Clarence Perkins  
Steering Gear, - - - - - Mr. Dickey  
Dash Light, - - - - - Mary Baker  
Clutch, - - - - - Donald Lisenby  
Bumpers, - Irene Peacock & Miss Packer  
Switch Key, - - - - - Wils Mattix  
Lights, - Dorothy Cotton & Floyd S.  
Mirror, - - - - - Virginia Gray  
Speedometer, - - - - - Beulah Thompson  
Coils, - - - - - Miss Schmueck  
Tail Light, - - - - - Harriet Roseman  
Fenders, - Clela L., Lester G., Helen B.,  
& Loarl F.

Accelerator, - - - - - Carl Galaway  
Running Boards, - Ralph D. & Kenneth E.  
Fan, - - - - - Doris Lisenby  
Hot Shot Battery, - - - Esther Baker  
Duco Paint, - - - - - Pauline Goken  
Flat Tire, - - - - - Harold Rainey  
Starter, - - - - - Thelma Wilson

Connecting Rod, - - - - - Lucile Baker  
Exhaust, - - - - - Roy Smith  
Top Dressing, - - - - - Helen Shinaeman  
Sneak in Rear Axle, - - - Andy Allen  
Stop Light, - - - - - Dorothy Hiter  
Two-in-One Gear, - - - Mr. and Mrs. Means  
Tire Pump, - - - - - Mr. Bebie  
Rings, - Areta Coffman & Derzil Halcom  
Heater, - - - - - Max Goken  
Knock in Engine, - - - - - Cecil Peacock  
Cutoff, - - - - - James Baker  
Spare Tire, - - - - - Florence Shaw  
Windshield, - - - - - Miss Langford  
Feed Pipe, - - - - - Howard Baker  
License Plates, Leland C. & Grace Baker  
Crankshaft, - - - - - Miss Ihlenfeldt  
Rear Curtain, - - - - - Thelma Smith  
Muffler, - - - - - Francis Hoops  
Static, - - - - - Max R. & T. J. Shinneman  
Parking Light, - - - - - Martha Turner  
Carburetor, - - - - - Irene Marsh  
Directions to Users, - - - Lela Rainey  
Depreciation, - - - - - Dale Conn  
Shock Absorbers, - Deann Whitehead &  
Eunice Baker  
Axle Grease, - - - - - Ivan Swearingen  
Anti-Rattlers, - Ersal Followell & Dale  
Pitcher  
Nuts, - Margaret E., Alice J., Dale S. &  
Celesta Hiter



Mr. Dickey—"I've just a few announcements which I should like to make."

—Silent and busy.—Eunice Baker.





"What's the hurry?" asked Max of Ralph,  
 "Why the speed of forty-four?"  
 "Trying to catch Miss Langford," he gasped,  
 "She started nearly two-minutes before."



#### Most Distinguishing Features

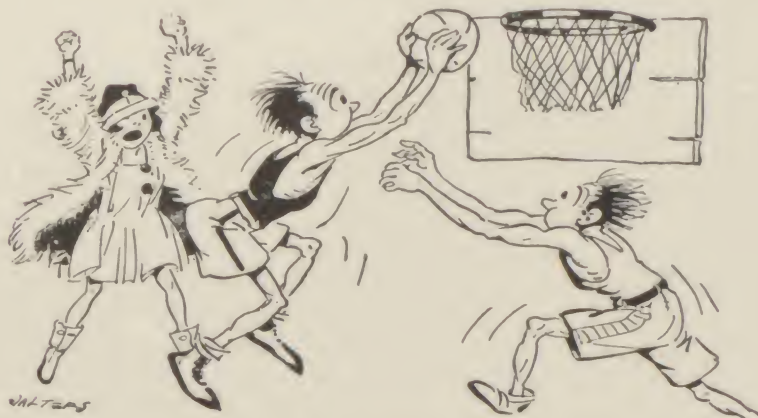
"Aus" Glenn—Laugh  
 Miss Langford—Walk  
 Howard Baker—Spelling  
 Areta Coffman—Tilted Nose  
 Dale Pitcher—Musical Ability  
 Ethel Turner—Giggles  
 Helen Shinneman—Long Shots  
 Bernice McBride—Toe Dancing  
 Harriet Roseman—Marcelle  
 Ralph Donaldson—Seriousness  
 "Andy" Allen—Passing  
 James Baker—Chronical Cough  
 Lawrence Meredith—Neatness  
 Benlah Thompson—Being Spanish  
 Mary Baker—Red Hair  
 Miss Ihlenfeldt—Smile  
 Miss Schmuck—Curls  
 Pauline Goken—Rouge  
 Paul King—Speed  
 Inez Roberts—Beauty  
 Loarl Ford—Smoking

#### Can You Imagine?

Miss Schmuck with bobbed hair?  
 Max Rainey flunking a subject?  
 Ralph D. riding a "kiddy-kar"?  
 Dorothy Hiter in love?  
 Wils Mattix quiet?  
 Helen Shinneman without a date?  
 Donald Lisenby doing something on time?  
 Cecil Peacock "out of humor"?  
 Lotus Leevey vain?  
 James Baker having throat trouble?  
 Bernice McBride with a bean?  
 Thelma Wilson noisy?  
 Andy Allen a basso singer?  
 Mary Baker grown up?  
 Leland Coffman on a date?  
 Harriet Roseman with curly hair?



It's surprising how many things a girl  
 can learn at a boarding-school that will  
 never be any use to her.



When Doc has crossed the free throw  
And the ball has passed the loop,  
There's one familiar Junior cry, you know,  
And that is, "Beansoup! Beansoup!"



Ersa—"Did you ever take Chloroform?"  
Lotus—"No, who teaches it?"



Emice B.—"Do they wear those track pants right out in the open?"  
Harold—"No, they usually wear them out in the seat."



Mr. Dickey—"Your answer is about as clear as mud."  
Wilmothe—"Well, that covers the ground anyway, doesn't it?"



Dean—"I only made one mistake in a 500 word theme."  
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Ivan S.—"Why do you use rouge on your lips?"  
Cleta L.—"To make them redly."



Miss Langford—"Who owns the air?"  
James—"Don't know."  
Miss Langford—"Well, who owns water then?"  
James—"The Lord, I suppose."

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—Senior's mascot.—Dean Whitehead.





The joke editor may scratch his head  
Until his fingers grow sore;  
But some one's sure to remark,  
"I've heard that joke before."



When Howard starts to lead a yell,  
First his coat begins to swell;  
Then his hat, it topples down;  
He grits his teeth and starts to frown.  
Back and forth he rants and rages,  
Till a Nixon star a basket cages.  
In applause he bursts out stronger,  
Till his lungs will last no longer;  
Then he gasps and starts anew;  
Thus his little bit to do.



"I can fill a balloon," said Wayne,  
"With gas that cannot be ignited."  
And as the news got spread about,  
All the people grew excited.  
Some said, "Yes;" others, "No;"  
A few—"He would be highly noted,"  
But right or wrong we'll never know,  
For the gosh-darn thing exploded.



At center stood Thelma and Irene—  
One quite, vicious: the other serene.  
The whistle blew; the ball was  
tossed;

This play, the game was won or lost.  
Thelma swung with a mighty grace,  
Her fist descended in Irene's face.  
The gun went off: it was called a  
tie,

For Irene was disabled by one black  
eye.



'Twas the last day of school  
As Dude went whistling out the door.  
"Why, aren't you sad?" asked Perk.  
"Our school life will soon be o'er."  
"Oh 'Im not worrying," Dude then replied,  
"For I have eight years more."



'Twas the night before exams  
That Helen (S.) sat poring o'er her books,  
But alas, to a casual observer  
How deceiving were their looks,  
For horrors! Instead of English, her speech  
to better  
It was a much worn issue of "Red Pepped,"



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